

Interview Scene

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*(Come up with an interview scene where you are both playing **characters that are not yourselves**. You will have an opportunity to be both the interviewer and the interviewee.*

*****For the script you write you are the interviewee!***

Tips:

- The interviewer can be as interesting as the interviewee
- Don't waste time with boring/general questions, start from a specific viewpoint or have an interesting newsworthy item to discuss

Example:

boring/general: *Who are you?*

Interesting: *I'm here with Doctor Flugenhammer and he is going to discuss his amazing age reversing formula creating from rotting banana peel extract!*

BACKGROUND (2 points)

1. What interview or talk shows have you seen?

I've seen the TV shows *Tyra*, *Oprah*, *Ellen*, *Larry King Live*, and a little bit of *Jerry Springer*.

2. On what interview show would you like to be? About what would you like to be interviewed?

I would like to be on a show like *Oprah* or *Ellen* because their shows are comical and lively to watch. A topic that would be interesting would be about celebrity love life or crazy love relationships that don't last.

FIVE IDEAS FOR INTERVIEW SITUATIONS (5 points)

(list interviewer, interviewee, and setting)

1. Ellen Degeneres talks to Candice Meyers. Candice is addicted to chocolate like a heavy drug. Ellen asks about how she copes with her addiction, but Candice is not doing too well. She acts like a crazy person, always fidgeting and stressing out.

2. Oprah talking with a famous fictional celebrity, named Regina Clements. She has poor taste in clothing, but dresses to fancy. She is a snob who talks about her life as a “talented and rich” movie star.

3. Oprah talks with a scientist who takes care and observes monkeys. The scientist, Jamie Gooden, brings in a chimp. The animal is calm at first and Oprah is delighted, but it eventually goes crazy and attacks Oprah. The scientist is trying to subdue the animal, but it still goes crazy.

4. Tyra invites a new supermodel to her show, who recently became famous for her amazing modeling skills and beauty. The model, Janel Jean-Pierre, thinks she is better than Tyra because she is younger and more “fresh”. Tyra tries to stay calm, but eventually the two clash.

5. Oprah invites a woman to the show who has had numerous relationships gone wrong. All of her boyfriends have left her for several reasons, so she is depressed. She does not know what to do or what is wrong with her, and she thinks she will never marry. It turns out that she really is crazy, out to get revenge. Oprah is uneasy and tries to calm her down and call security.

CHOSEN IDEA (1 point)

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TEN IDEAS FOR QUESTIONS OR EVENTS DURING THE INTERVIEW (10 points)

1. How did you decide that you wanted to be a model?

2. Who do you consider are role models that have inspired you in life?

3. I know you were recently discovered for your talents. How did that happen?

4. What are the best things about being a model?
5. How do you see yourself compared to other models that are older and with more experience?
6. Do you have any love interests?
7. Life as a model doesn't last forever. Where do you see yourself in 10-20 years?
8. What can you say to people who want to be models in the future?
9. Here's a question from our fan mail: What is your favorite food or do you not eat?
10. Another from our fan mail: Is it true that models are dumb?

SCRIPT/QUESTIONS - (*minimum 10 Questions and Answers*) (10 points)

Tyra: Hi everyone, welcome to another show of *Tyra*! Today's show is about my field of interest: modeling. Here with me is Janel Jean-Pierre. She is the new lead supermodel for *Vogue* and *Elle* Magazines. The world's new "It" girl. She is here to tell us about her achievements and life changes. Alright, so let's get started!

So, Janel-

Janel: Uh no. It's *Juh-nelle*, not just Janel. Please, I don't live in Paris for nothing.

Tyra: Right, so tell me. How did you decide that you wanted to be a model?

J: [snort] Well, I didn't actually *have* to decide that I wanted to be a model. My mom and I just knew it was going to come naturally for me because of my beauty and talent.

T: Hm. You are very straight forward with your answer. Alright, who are your role models that have inspired you in life? Everyone has to have someone there they look up to. Mine are Oprah and my mama. So who would are some of yours?

J: I guess my mother is my role model. She is always there to support me when I need help. It's nice when you have someone to look up to. I know people see me as a role model because I'm successful. Just look at you Tyra. You must be 45 by now right? I mean, do you still have fans?

T: I'm 36 and yes I'm still an active worker in my field. Not as much as you, but I'm there. [clears throat] I know you were recently discovered for your talents. How did that happen?

J: It started about a year ago. I was at a modeling agency in Orlando. They were looking for a cover girl for *Bazaar* Magazine. I walk right in and immediately they chose me. After that people just lined up to give me contracts to work with them. I'm really *that* good, what can I say?

T: I started modeling at a young age too, but I had my share of struggles. I'm sure it wasn't all that easy for you right?

J: Don't be silly Tyra. Some people, like me, are just born luckier than others. It's good that you struggled a bit when you were starting out, I guess. You end up with thick skin... [looks at Tyra up and down] literally.

T: Ah! Let's not even go there. There are of course good times that come with modeling. What are the best things about being a model?

J: Having people line up at your feet, giving you all trendy clothes and sports cars. Being able to work in the hottest fashion locations all over the world is also a plus. Ah, it's living the life for sure!

T: Well you say that now, but life as a model doesn't last forever. Where do you see yourself in 10-20 years?

J: I just hope I don't end up like you. I mean, you're not even a full-time model anymore. Some older models still keep going and that's what I plan to do.

T: [getting annoyed] And what will you do when you start to show signs of aging?

J: Ever heard of plastic surgery and Lipo? It's the best thing in the world. And. . . I suggest you start with Lipo now. There's something pretty heavy junk in the trunk if you ask me.

T: [gasps offended] What are you talking about? Do you have something against older models?

J: I just see myself as better than older models because I have something the industry wants, and that's youth. Face it Tyra, you're just not "fresh" anymore and it's my turn to shine.

T: I'm just going to pretend that I didn't hear that for the sake of the show. [breathes out]
Anyway, here's a question from our fan mail: What is your favorite food or do you not eat?

J: The second part is right. I don't eat so I don't like anything.

T: Well, you're a *very inspirational* figure for children to look up to. Another from our fan mail: Is it true that models are dumb?

J: [mouth gaping] NO!! That is so not true! I am gooder than some of my model friends in math.

T: Ok then. So what's $5 + 5$?

J: Um. . . 8! Ha! I'm right!

T: Ok!

ENDING (2 points)

It ends with Janel being embarrassed on national television because she thought $5 + 5 = 8$! Tyra is ha

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